# PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE

in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock

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#### THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 3rd November 2024

In today's gospel Jesus tells us that the two greatest commandments are love of God and love of neighbour. This is the whole teaching of the Bible.

The only failure as Christians is failure to love.

FIRST READING: (DEUT.6:2-6): MOSES TELLS THE ISRAELITES YOU MUST LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART. THE SCHEMA BECOMES THE DAILY PRAYER OF THE JEWS.

SECOND READING: (HEB.7:23-28): THIS SHOWS THE IMPORTANCE OF JESUS OVER THE PRIESTS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT. CHRIST'S PRIESTHOOD IS UNIQUE AND FOREVER.

GOSPEL: (MK.12:28-34): THE SCRIBES QUESTION WAS ONE OFTEN

DISCUSSED BY THE RABBIS.

## **REFLECTION**

Lord, open our hearts when they are closed
Soften them when they are hard
Warm them when they are cold
Fill them when they are empty
Heal them when they are wounded
And mend them when they are broken
So that we, your disciples,
may bear the fruit of love

# NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

Please take one, include the names of your deceased relatives and friends on it and return it to the Parish Office.

#### The Pope's Intentions - November 2024 For Anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

REMEMBRANCE MASS FOR OUR DECEASED PARISHIONERS: Our annual parish Remembrance and Bereavement Mass takes place this year on Friday 22nd November at 7.00pm. We invite all who have been bereaved in the past year and families and friends to attend this remembrance Mass and to prayerfully remember all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

**TAIZÉ PRAYER – NOVEMBER**: The next monthly meditative Taizé prayers will take place at 7pm on Friday 8th November in Our Lady Mother of the Church, Castleknock. Two young volunteers from Taizé will be in attendance.

<u>Children's Liturgy Group</u>: The Day Chapel activities will have an *sos beag* this weekend as it is mid-term break. We will be back on **Sunday 10th November** for more Gospel stories, colouring & crafts!

St Vincent's Castleknock College Musical Grease will be running the week of November 9th in the school. Tickets on sale though the school website and discount tickets for Saturday's matinee performance.

BAPTISMS: Congratulations to Ross, Indie, CJ, Avery-Sage, Maia, and Dylan who were baptised in our church during the month of October.

We wish the children and their families every blessing.

St. Brigid's Castleknock Annual Graveyard Service with Blessing of the Graves will take place on Sunday 10th November at 3pm.

All are welcome.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

SATURDAY: 6.30 pm Michael McConnon (30<sup>th</sup> anniversary)

SUNDAY: 9.30 am Liam Mullin (Birthday Remembrance)

11.30 am Baby Grace Kane (3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary)

## **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

#### those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Rory Bruen, Una Slevin, Miles Leonard, Lil Smith, James Short, Catherine Fallon, Mary and Frank Kearney, Seán Kavanagh, Brigid McAnaney, Kathleen Kettle, John O'Flaherty, Ursula Doyle, Seán Murphy - Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord



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**BAPTISMS**: Baptism Ceremonies are held on the first Sunday of the month at 12.30pm and the third Saturday of the month at 3.30pm. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

#### PRAYERS/INTENTIONS

A basket will be left at the altar for people to place their intentions/prayer requests.

These will be prayed for at the 10.00am Mass on the day.



<u>ADORATION:</u> TAKES PLACE IN **LAUREL LODGE CHURCH** EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 8PM TO 9PM. ALL WELCOME.

AVAILABLE ON THE PARISH WEBCAM: <u>WWW.LAURELLODGEPARISH.IE</u>
ALSO IN - **ST MOCHTA'S, PORTERSTOWN** - SUNDAYS 7PM TO 8PM
AND **OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH** - THURSDAYS 8PM TO 9PM

MASS INTENTIONS: TO ARRANGE AN ANNIVERSARY MASS OR MASS FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION PLEASE PHONE THE PARISH OFFICE (01 8208112) OR EMAIL OFFICE@LAURELLODGEPARISH.IE WITH THE DETAILS.

MASS INTENTIONS CAN ALSO BE BOOKED WITH THE SACRISTAN.

EARLY BOOKING IS RECOMMENDED.

St Philips Church Mountview Senior Children's Rosary Every Wednesday at 2.45pm





**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**: The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie for more information.

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS: If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail.

For more information visit <a href="https://www.aware.ie">www.aware.ie</a>.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Friday mornings: 9.00am-9.30am
Saturday evenings: 5.00pm-5.45pm: Rite II (communal celebration) after the 6.30pm Mass on the 1st Saturday of the month.